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MENORANDUM TO THE FILE

SUBJ [REDACTED] A-B/b

1. In response to our letter to [REDACTED] of 19 November 1954, [REDACTED] called the writer on Monday, 6 December 1954 and gave the following on [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that personally [REDACTED] is a nice guy but that he definitely is not the type suitable for our operations.

[REDACTED] more or less the typical nightclub hypnotist and does some magic and card tricks. [REDACTED] stated he has known [REDACTED] for fifteen years and at one time [REDACTED] worked for [REDACTED] in connection with movie pictures he was then doing for [REDACTED] [REDACTED] describes [REDACTED] as a guy who is "out for a fast buck." He has done almost everything including being a fight promoter. In fact, [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] shows the type of acts [REDACTED] indulges in. [REDACTED] stated further that when [REDACTED] is in [REDACTED] he quite often calls [REDACTED] and has dinner with him. He stated [REDACTED] is pleasant, has good personality but not type for our serious work. [REDACTED] knew very little of [REDACTED] personal situation.

6 December 1954

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November 1954

Dear [redacted]
We have received in a roundabout way through the [redacted] a brief letter from [redacted] who claims that he is a professional magician and hypnotist. This brief letter contains certain publicity brochures and reflects that [redacted] has appeared all over the world as an entertainer. The letter itself suggests that hypnotism could be used in various ways in which you and I are completely familiar.

We have no intention of dealing with [redacted] but would appreciate it very much if you could give me a professional rundown on him since someone may request this information in the future. I, myself, do not place the name although it does seem familiar to me in some way or other.

Insofar as the [redacted] business is concerned, I have nothing to report at the present time. The problems are mostly administrative and fiscal. We haven't been in [redacted] for some time and the last time we were there we acted solely as couriers to convey the [redacted] material which was required.

There is really nothing new to report to you and matters here are going along in their usual confused and bewildering way. I hope you are not writing too frequently and you are well and everything is all right with you.

If and when we are coming to [redacted] again and there is the slightest opportunity for conversation, I will call you prior to leaving.

Sincerely,

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